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(Quo Die

Academiae *FRANCOFURTANÆ*

Encœnia Sæcularia ibidem celebrata sunt)

H A B I T Æ:

à Reverendo Viro

GEORGIO SMALRIDGE, S.T.P.

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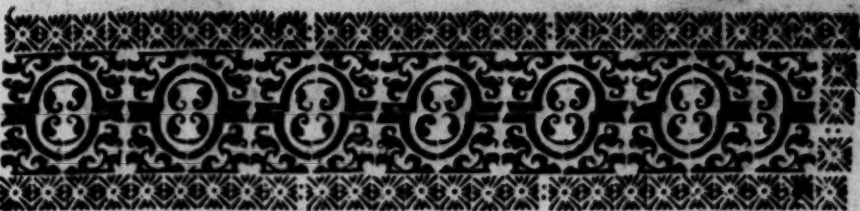
Cum Clariss. Virum *Joh. Ernest. Grabe*, Borussum, ad Doctoratum in S. Theol. Universitati *Oxonienfi* Commendaret;

A L T E R A,

Cum eundem Insignibus Academicis ornaret.

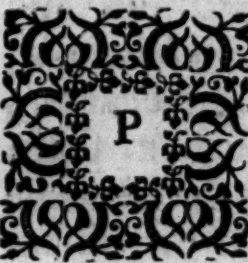






PRÆSENTATIO.

Insignissime Vice-Cancellarie, Vosque Egregii Procuratores,

RÆSENTO Vobis Reverendum hunc Virum, Dominum *Johannem Ernestum Grabe*; Patre, Avo, Abavo, Theologiæ Professoribus prognatum; gente atque educatione Borussum; diuturni apud nos hospitii necessitudine, ac propensissimo erga Ecclesiam Anglicanam studio Nostratem; eruditionis suæ fama ac nominis celebritate Universi literati Orbis Civem: Virum iis Ingenii, Doctrinæ, & Virtutis ornamentis insignem, ut in Absentis laudem nulla satis longa foret Oratio; ea vero animi modestia, ut Præsens reformidet etiam brevissimam. Id sane auspicato, nec absque singulari Dei Opt. Max. Providentia Ornatissimo huic homini evenit, ut, quo olim die Illum Philosophiæ Magistrum & Doctorem summo Omnium applausu salutavit Academia Regiomontana *, Eodem

* *Coningsburgh.*

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jam die, post emensos unum & viginti annos, in celcissimo hoc Theologicæ Dignitatis gradu pari studio collocaret Academia Oxoniensis.

Nihil in laudem vestram magis cessurum, nihil Academiae Francofurtensi, cui solennum hunc instauratis diem, magis gratum à Vobis proficisci potuit, quam eximius hic honos in eum Virum collatus, quem Illa, utpote Regi suo præ cæteris egregie charum, maximi habet, quem ad Professoriam suam Cathedram haud semel vocatum Nobis pene invidet, quem hodierno præcipue die absentem requirit, minores aliquanto agens triumphos, quod hoc tantum ingenii Lumen desideret.

Quæ vero lectissimum hunc Virum ad Angliam invisendam primum impulit, eadem adhuc apud Nos detinet amicissima erga Ecclesiam Nostram voluntas, & summa Episcopalis Ordinis reverentia. Primævæ nimirum Antiquitatis indagator sagacissimus, Eam divini cultus solemnitatem, quam suus descripsit Justinus; Eam Doctrinæ puritatem, quam ab omni Hæreseos labe vindicavit suus itidem Irenæus; Eam demum Ecclesiasticæ Disciplinæ formulam, quam sæpissime in Patrum monumentis expressam legerat; nativa sua pulchritudine apud Nos etiamnum

annum vigere facile perspexit : &, cum Antiquam Matrem diu diligenterque quæsitam hic tandem invenerat, in illius sinum recipi vehementer gestiit, in illius amplexu lubens hæret. Erit autem aliquando dies, nisi vana Nos spes fallat, & quod ardentissimis votis optamus, id etiam futurum creduli nimis auguremur, cum Optimus hic Vir in Patriam redux primitivam Ecclesiæ Hierarchiam apud Suos haud ulterius desideraverit ; cum Augustissima nostra Regina Ecclesiam Anglicanam, quam domi materno affectu fovet, quam sanctissimis moribus exornat, quam amplissima munificentia locupletat, quam assiduis precibus Deo commendat, quam adversus Omnes Omnium undequaque Hostium impetus Incolumem, &, dum Ipsa fuerit sospes, Sospitem usque & Gloriosam fore certi spondemus, in Confederatas etiam gentes, præpollenti sua apud Illas gratia haud frustra commendatam, transmittere studuerit ; cum, ANNA hortante, Augustus Borussorum Rex, pro summa sua adversus Ecclesias Reformatas benevolentia, ad augendum Ipsarum decus & robur, Venerabilem Episcopatus Ordinem intra sua Regna stabilierit ; ad quæ Regiam ipsius Majestatem in hunc ipsum fortasse finem divina evexit Providentia ; cum FREDERICO, inter cæteras res ab Ipso pace ac bello præclare gestas, quas & præsens ætas laudat, & sera

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sera laudabit posteritas, Id etiam in non exiguam Ipsius gloriam cesserit, quod Antiquam atque Apostolicam Episcoporum in Ecclesia gubernanda Prærogativam suis Auspiciis restituerit : cum Eruditissimum hunc Virum, singulari Ipsius favore jam pridem insignitum, Episcopali Mitra ornaverit ; Vestra interim Laurea, Academici, in præludium tantæ Dignitatis hodie ornandum ; Eam vicissim eximia sua Pietate, & fere incredibili Doctrina magnopere Ornaturam.



C R E A T I O.

QUOD in Annuis Comitibus solenne est, ut quos ad amplissimum hunc Dignitatis gradum sua evexerint merita, illos usitatis Honoris Insignibus Regius exornet Professor, id hodie muneris mihi, qui Venerandi illius Viri *, in maximum Ecclesiæ atque Academiæ detrimentum ægrotantis, vices longe impar sustineo, assignavit Academia : Quæ, ne quod Sui erga Te amoris pignus, ne quod Scholasticæ Dignitatis monumentum Tibi deesset, Te, festivo hoc die, in Theatrali hac pompa, solenni Comitiorum ritu atque apparatu decorari voluit.

* *Dris. Janc.*

Tibi igitur hæc in manus trado Biblia *, quæ Nemo Te aut diligentius versaverit, aut penitius intellexerit, aut fidelius memoria tenuerit, aut dilucidius explicarit. Tibi patent Hebræi illi fontes, unde rivulos suos deduxerunt Alexandrini Interpretes: Quid in celeberrima ista Versione sequior ætas immutaverit, Tuum haud fugit acumen: Tu eam integram atque illibatam indefesso labore Nobis repones, alter Adamantius. Maeste tua diligentia, Vir Optime, sacras hæc paginas, ad Codicis Alexandrini omnium antiquissimi fidem castigatas, in publica Ecclesiæ commoda maturare: Tibi opus hoc arduum molienti stimulos addat doctissimorum hominum expectatio, non modicus Academiæ favor, atque optime in Te collocata Serenissimæ Reginæ nostræ Munificentia.

Sume etiam Pileum hunc, Libertatis, tesseram; Tibi imprimis congruum, qui nulli unquam Te serviliter mancipasti; qui Calvinum, Lutherum, cæteros Antesignanos Viros ea tantum lege secutus es, si Patrum & Apostolorum vestigia ab ipsis pressa prehenderis: si quando autem ab antiquis viis aberraverint, non cum illis in devium ire, sed

* LXX. Interpretum.

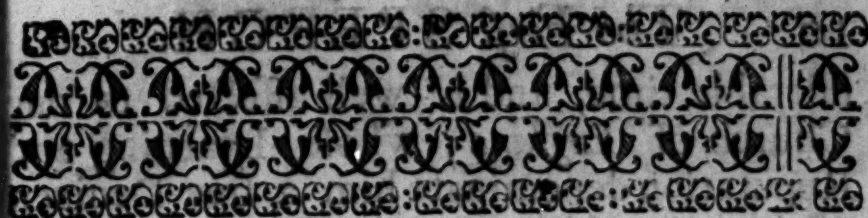
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Tuum iudicium sequi, & primævam Veritatem, undecunque ea effulserit, amplecti, pro Christianæ libertatis jure, æquum semper censuisti.

En tibi hunc Annulum! non tam privatæ inter nos duos Amicitiae, quam publicæ inter Academiæ Francofurtensem atque Oxoniensem Concordiæ pignus! Sint perpetuæ inter Ipsas bonorum officiorum vices; & recurrentibus in Orbem sæculis, lætus hic semper utrique recurat Dies!

Supereft ut Tibi impertiam caritatis Osculum. Fœlix illud faustumque fit Omen, Ecclesias Anglicanam & Borussam mutuo affectu sese invicem deosculaturas! Tu Utriusque amans, Tu Utrique charus arctissimum inter Ipsas non tantum Doctrinæ, sed & Disciplinæ fœdus paciscere; diu à bonis omnibus expetitur, semper in Ecclesiæ pacem, in Angelorum lætitiâ, in Dei Opt. Maximi Gloriam duraturum.





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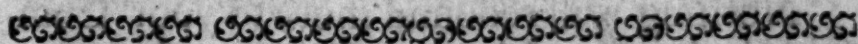
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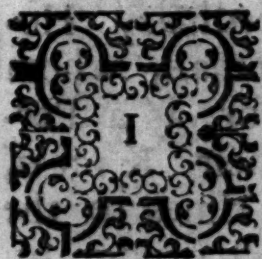
(Being the Day of Commencement at *Frankfort*.)

The First, Upon presenting JOHN ERNEST
GRABE to the University, for the Degree
of Doctor;

The Second at his C R E A T I O N.



*Right Worshipful Mr. VICE-CHANCELLOR, and you
the worthy PROCTORS;*



I Present to you this Reverend
Gentleman, Mr. JOHN ER-
NEST GRABE, whose Father,
Grandfather, and great Grand-
father, were Professors of Di-
vinity, a *Prussian* by Birth and
Education, who has resided among us a con-
siderable

siderable time, and is well affected to our Church of *England*; whose Learning and Reputation denominate him a free Denizen of the universal learned World; a Person of such extraordinary Endowments of Ingenuity, Learning and Virtue, that no Speech would be too long in his Commendation if absent; but of so great Modesty, that being present, he blushes even at the shortest. But it is certainly auspicious and very providential to this worthy Gentleman, that upon the very same Day, whereon formerly the University of *Coningsburgh*, with the most general Applause, admitted him Master and Professor of *Philosophy*, he should now, at one and twenty Years Distance, be with equal Zeal admitted by the University of *Oxford*, to the highest Degree of Dignity in *Theology*.

Nothing will redound more to your Commendation, nothing could come from you more pleasing to the University of *Frankfort*, in Honour of whom you do renew this solemn Day, than the extraordinary Honour conferr'd upon this Gentleman, whom they have a very great Value for, as a Person entirely beloved by their KING, whom having called several times to the *Professor's Chair*, they do almost grudge us, who being absent from them on this Day
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especially, their Triumphs are obscur'd, for want of so bright an Ornament of Ingenuity.

Now as his extraordinary Affection towards the Church of *England*, and his great Veneration for the *Episcopal Order*, were the first Motives that brought this excellent Person over to *England*, so they do still detain him among us. For having been a most curious Searcher into *Primitive Antiquity*, he presently discover'd that solemn Order of Divine Worship, which his * JUSTIN described; that Purity of Doctrine, which his IRENÆUS vindicated from all Blemish of Heresie; and that Form of Church Discipline, which he had very often found express'd in the Writings of the *Fathers*, flourishing still among us in their genuine Beauty: and when after so long and diligent Search he had found his ancient Mother here, he was very joyful to be receiv'd into her Bosom, and willingly remains in her Embraces. But there will come a Day, unless we be disappointed in our Hopes, and too credulously prognosticate the Event, which we do most ardently wish, when this worthy Gentleman return-

* Dr. Grabe publish'd an Edition of Justin Martyr's *Apology*, and Irenæus's *Works*.

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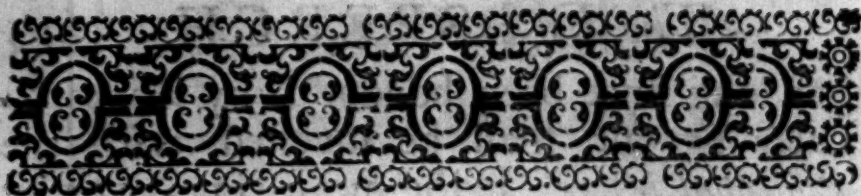
ing into his own Country, shall no longer want that sacred Order in the Church, amongst his Country-men, when our most gracious QUEEN, who bears at home a motherly Affection to the Church of *England*, who is the greatest Ornament of it by her most religious Behaviour, and liberal Provision for it, who daily recommends it to God in her Prayers, who preserves, and we have good Grounds to believe, will still preserve it to her Life's End, a safe and glorious Church, maugre all the Assaults of its Adversaries on every side, shall have labour'd to transplant it among her *Allies*, by her most gracious and effectual Recommendation; when at the Intercession of Queen ANNE, his *Prussian Majesty*, out of his great Affection to the *Reformed Churches*, to encrease their Glory and Strength, shall establish the venerable Order of *Episcopacy* in his Kingdoms; for which perhaps, the Divine Providence may have advanced his MAJESTY to this very end; when FREDERICK, amongst the rest of his noble Atchievements, both in Peace and War, which are the Admiration of the present, and will be of future Ages, shall, to his exceeding Glory, by his auspicious Management, restore the Antient and Apostolical Prerogative of *Bishops* in the Government of the *Church*; and when this most learned Gentleman, who
has

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has long since been honour'd by his particular Favour, shall be invested wth the *Episcopal Mitre*; in the mean time, worthy *Academicks*, you shall for a Prefage of so great Dignity, this Day honour that Person with your Laurel, who will reciprocally give the greatest Honour to that, by his eminent Piety and incredible Learning.



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THE SECOND S P E E C H.



HEREAS it is usual at the Publick Acts, for the *Regius Professor*, to grace those, whom their Merits have rais'd to this high Degree of Dignity, with the usual Ensigns of Honour. I, who am very unfit to sustain such a Charge, am this Day to supply the Place of that venerable * Person, who is now sick, to the great Detriment both of the *Church* and the *University*, by their own Appointment, because, that no Pledge of their Respect for you might be wanting, nor any Mark of Scholastick Dignity, they have resolv'd that you be honourably admitted, on this Festival Day, in this pompous Appearance of the *Theatre*, and with all the Solemnity and Preparation of the *Publick Act*.

* *Dr. Jane.*

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Into your Hands therefore do I deliver this BIBLE *, which may no body turn over more diligently than your self, or more thoroughly understand, or more faithfully remember, or more clearly expound. You have Access to the *Hebrew* Fountains, from whence the *Alexandrian Interpreters* drew out their Rivulets; what the modern Ages have alter'd in that most famous Version, you have Spirit enough to discern: You, like another ADAMANTIUS, by your indefatigable Industry, shall restore it to us perfect and free from Error. May your Diligence most happily succeed, excellent SIR, in hastening these sacred Pages to the Press, corrected by the most antient Copy of all, the † *Alexandrian*, for the publick Good of the Church: And be encouraged in this Undertaking, tho' uncommon, by the Expectation of the most learned Men, the extraordinary Caresses of the University, and the Bounty of her most serene Majesty, most worthily conferr'd upon you.

Take also this CAP, a Token of Liberty; and highly agreeable to you, who have never enslav'd your self to any one; who have followed CALVIN, LUTHER, and other Au-

* *The Greek Version by the 70 Interpreters.*

† *Dr. Grabe has publish'd two Volumes in Folio, of a New Edition of the Septuagint, from the Alexandrian Copy.*

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THORS of eminent Note, only so far as they themselves have trod in the Steps of the *Fathers* and *Apostles* : but if at any time they have deviated from the antient Paths, you have always thought it best and agreeable to Christian Liberty, not to err with them, but to follow your own Judgment, and to embrace the sacred Truth, from what Quarter soever it shone brightest.

Here is this RING for you! not so much a Pledge of the private Friendship between us, as of the publick Concord between the Universities of *Frankfort* and *Oxford*: Let there be a perpetual Communication of all good Offices between them; and let this Day be always a joyful Anniversary in both, from Age to Age.

It remains, that I present you with the *Kiss of Love*. May it prove a good and happy Omen, that the Churches of *England* and *Prussia*, shall with mutual Affection embrace each other. Do you that are a Lover of both, and dear to both, confirm the strictest Agreement between them, not only in Doctrine, but also in Discipline; long desired by all good Men, and ever to last, for the Peace of the Church, the Joy of the *Angels*, and the Glory of GOD.

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